



# TOWN OF ELLINGTON

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## BOARD OF FINANCE

ROBERT J. CLEMENTS  
Chairman

### SPECIAL MEETING APRIL 22, 2008

RICHARD J. CLEARY  
MARK A. JOYSE  
BARRY C. PINTO  
MICHAEL D. VARNEY  
JOSEPH E. WEHR

**BOARD OF FINANCE MEMBERS PRESENT:** Robert Clements-Chmn, Richard Cleary, Mark Joyse, Barry Pinto, Michael Varney, Joseph Wehr

**OTHERS PRESENT:** N. DiCorleto-Fin Officer, Selectmen Turner, Charter, and Miller; P. Michaud-DPW Dir, A. Littizzio-BOE Dir Bus Svs, M. Contakis-Budget Advisory, P. Hany-Pres. EVAC, A. Lawrence-Fire Marshal, D. Davis-Dir. Emerg Mgmt. E. Graziani-Sr. Ctr Dir, Y. Cantor-Chmn Human Svs.

Chairman Robert Clements opened the special meeting at 7:45 pm.

#### 1. Speed Enforcement Grant-Corrected Motion

MOTION (CLEARY) SECONDED (WEHR) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE AN ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION OF \$13,856 FROM FY 2007-08 UNDESIGNATED GENERAL FUND BALANCE TO THE FOLLOWING ACCOUNTS: FY 2007-08 RESIDENT TROOPER OVERTIME ACCOUNT-\$8,026 AND THE CONSTABLES ACCOUNT-\$5,830. THIS APPROPRIATION IS FULLY REIMBURSABLE THROUGH A MATCHING STATE SPEED ENFORCEMENT GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$24,600, EFFECTIVE MARCH 14, 2008 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2008. THE REMAINING \$10,744 WILL BE PLACED IN THE FY 2008-09 POLICE DEPARTMENT OVERTIME ACCOUNT. THIS MOTION REPLACES THE MOTION MADE BY THE BOARD OF FINANCE ON MARCH 25, 2008.

#### 2. Ellington Volunteer Ambulance Building Addition

The Board of Selectmen has approved a building addition for the Ellington Volunteer Ambulance Building as presented to them. The approval was made pending approval of the Board of Finance, town meeting and Planning & Zoning Commission. The members received a letter from Selectman Charter opposing the addition based on outstanding questions and a new contract pending. Mr. Cleary asked why the cost has increased since it was presented to the Capital Improvements Committee. Mr. Hany stated that the figures are more accurate due to architectural input. It is also necessary to hook up to the sewer system.

Mr. Wehr asked what is the status of the new agreement between the Town and the Ambulance Corps. Mr. Hany stated that the Town Attorney has drafted up a new agreement, so there is progress being made.

Mr. Joyse asked if the present agreement accommodates capital items being funded. Mr. Hany stated that the Town Attorney researched this and he has Ok'd this use of the funds. Peter Charter feels that this should be tabled until the agreement is resolved and all parties agreed. Mr. Clements felt this should be brought forward by the Board of Finance and stated that the ambulance fee fund has a balance of \$583,087. Mr. Cleary stated that the Emergency Services Committee gave its approval for this project. Mr. Joyse asked why it is not in the capital improvements budget and Mr. Clements stated that because it would be funded through their own fund and it is not a town expenditure. Mr. Hany reiterated that they are working with a contract in place and that the negotiation is for a new contract. Mr. Miller stated that the facility is needed and that the Ambulance Corps will not be moved no matter what the Emergency Services Committee finds.

MOTION (CLEARY) SECONDED (PINTO) AND PASSED TO APPROVE THE 2,200 SF ELLINGTON VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE CORPS BUILDING EXPANSION, INCLUDING CONNECTION TO THE SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM, IN ACCORDANCE WITH CONCEPTUAL DRAWINGS SUBMITTED BY RUSSELL AND DAWSON ARCHITECTS (ATTACHED), IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$350,000, TO BE FUNDED THROUGH THE EVAC CHARGING FUND ACCOUNT, PENDING TOWN MEETING APPROVAL. FURTHER RESOLVED THAT THE AFORESAID PROJECT IS HEREBY REFERRED TO THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION FOR A REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 8-24 OF THE CONNECTICUT GENERAL STATUTES.

#### **Adjournment**

MOTION (CLEARY) SECONDED (JOYSE) AND PASSED TO ADJOURN THE SPECIAL MEETING AT 8:05 PM.

Submitted by Lori Smith  
Lori Smith, Clerk